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Dear Cyril,

The news with my wife is even more incredible. For the first time since she was given glasses when she was eight she is without them! Even read without them last night. The opthalmologist examined her yesterday and told her not to use any for a month, when he sees her again. At some point he will prescribe. She is 2/40 without glasses!

There was one , no, two exceptions to what you say, the media letting Posner get away with it. One was a column by the S.F.Chronicle's book-review editor and the other was a book review in the Washington Post by one of its Sunday Outlook staff. I think a little of what I said about the latter remains in Case Open. The Chronicle column pointed out that the work Posner uses as his own was for the ABA by FaAA. It also quoted FaAA's McCarthy. Who did not respond when I wrote him.

I continue to get a small number of favorable comments on Case Open. Most in one days was about six. Plus some phone calls. No way of knowing what that represents in sales. But the book is widely not on sale from what I hear.

Posner and RH remain silent about it.

When you come please remember my convoluted hours. I aim for bed by 6 p.m. because I'm wide awake beginning midnight, most mornings about one or a little later.

There was some complaint from the panel the Pulitzer committee had evaluate history books. One of the three in the final decision was Posner's. The Pulitzer people refused to make any award, leading to the public complaint. I've written them to count their blessings because if they had made an award to it they would have been involved in a terrible scandal. I also said that if the nomination was made by the publisher, he knew his book was at least largely plagiarized and he should have known it is a fraud.

We'll see if they react. Perhaps not because the complaint got so lttle attention.

Besy wishes,

Harold